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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

STEPHEN J. LOHBECK,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

v.

MICHAEL J. ASTRUE,** Commissioner
of Social Security,

Defendant - Appellee.

No. 06-15648

D.C. No. CV-04-03245-RMW

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court
for the Northern District of California
Ronald M. Whyte, District Judge, Presiding

Argued and Submitted December 5, 2007
San Francisco, California

Before: D.W. NELSON and REINHARDT, Circuit Judges, and
OBERDORFER***, Senior Judge.

* This disposition is not appropriate for publication and is not precedent except as provided by 9th Cir. R. 36-3.

** Michael J. Astrue is substituted for his predecessor Jo Anne Barnhart as Commissioner of the Social Security Administration. Fed. R. App. P. 43(c)(2).

*** The Honorable Louis F. Oberdorfer, Senior United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, sitting by designation.

Stephen Lohbeck appeals a grant of summary judgment validating the denial of his claim for Social Security disability insurance benefits under Title II of the Social Security Act. We reverse and direct the district court to remand to the Social Security Administration for further proceedings.

The record is not sufficient to support a step four finding that Lohbeck could perform his past relevant work. “[F]or a claim involving a mental/emotional impairment, care must be taken to obtain a precise description of the particular job duties which are likely to produce tension and anxiety . . . in order to determine if the claimant’s mental impairment is compatible with the performance of such work.” Social Security Ruling 82-62. A remand to the Administrative Law Judge (“ALJ”) is required so that the ALJ may determine whether Lohbeck’s impaired concentration, persistence, and pace would interfere with his performance of his former job as an “automobile assembler/painter.” If Lohbeck does not retain sufficient residual functional capacity to perform that particular job, the ALJ must proceed to the fifth step of the analysis.

REVERSED with instructions to REMAND.